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Man Sentenced to Prison for Police Pursuit

A 28-year-old man convicted of an incident that involved a police pursuit, which ended with a crash at the Manhattan Beach Pier, was sentenced today to state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Devin Ashley Chavez of Cypress pleaded no contest today to two charges: a felony count of fleeing a pursuing peace officer's motor vehicle and driving against traffic and a misdemeanor count of driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage in case YA091541.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Thomas R. Sokolov immediately sentenced Chavez to 16 months in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Candace F. Smith, who prosecuted the case, said on Nov. 6, police attempted to pull over Chavez as he drove in the dark with his headlights off.

The defendant began speeding and then crashed through a barrier at the Manhattan Beach Pier. He finally stopped after slamming into a concrete bench, the prosecutor added.

The case was investigated by the Manhattan Beach Police Department.

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